

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 with the following rewritten version:

The present invention relates to a refrigeration ~~equipment~~ device, and more particularly to a refrigeration ~~equipment~~ device having a vapor compression type of refrigerant circuit.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 8 with the following rewritten version:

One example of a conventional refrigeration ~~equipment~~ device that includes a vapor compression refrigeration circuit is an air conditioner that is employed to provide air conditioning for buildings or the like. This type of air conditioner primarily includes a heat source unit, a plurality of user units, and a refrigerant gas junction line and a refrigerant liquid junction line that serve to connect these units together. The refrigerant gas junction line and the refrigerant liquid junction line of the air conditioner are positioned so as to connect the heat source unit and the plurality of user units, and thus the lines are long and have a complex line shape that includes many curves and branches along the length thereof. Because of this, when the air conditioner is to be renovated, there will be many occasions in which only the heat source unit and the user units are renovated, and the refrigerant gas junction line and the refrigerant liquid junction line of the preexisting device are left in place.

Please replace the paragraph heading at page 5, line 13 with the following rewritten version:

Summary Disclosure of the Invention

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 18 with the following rewritten version:

According to a first aspect of the present invention, a The refrigeration device basically disclosed in claim 1 includes a main refrigerant circuit and ~~an auxiliary refrigerant circuit~~. ~~The main refrigerant circuit includes~~ having a compressor, a heat source side heat exchanger, and a user side heat exchanger and a condenser connected. ~~The auxiliary refrigerant circuit is arranged between the compressor of the main refrigerant circuit and the user side heat exchanger. The condenser is configured to condense, and can return a portion of the refrigerant that is compressed in the compressor and that is sent to the user side heat exchanger, to the main refrigerant circuit after being condensed.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 25 with the following rewritten version:

With this refrigeration device, the ~~auxiliary refrigerant circuit~~ condenser allows the pressure of the refrigerant to be sent to the user side heat exchanger to be lowered by ~~returning~~ condensing a portion of the refrigerant that is compressed in the compressor and sent to the user side heat exchanger ~~to the main refrigerant circuit after being condensed~~. This allows the pressure of the refrigerant sent to the user side heat exchanger to be stably controlled.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 6 with the following rewritten version:

According to a second aspect of the present invention, the The refrigeration device ~~disclosed in claim 2 is the refrigeration device of claim 1, in which~~ of the first aspect is provided such that a check mechanism is connected between the compressor and the user side heat exchanger of the refrigerant circuit, and allows only the flow of refrigerant from the user side heat exchanger to the compressor. The condenser is connected to the refrigerant circuit via a branching circuit that propagates the flow of refrigerant cut-off by the check mechanism

from the compressor to the user side heat exchanger, and a junction circuit that sends refrigerant condensed in the condenser to to the user side heat exchanger. ~~the auxiliary refrigerant circuit includes a branching circuit, a condenser, and a junction circuit. The branching circuit serves to branch a portion of refrigerant compressed in the compressor and sent to the user side heat exchanger from the main refrigerant circuit. The condenser can condense the branched refrigerant. The junction circuit can return the condensed refrigerant to the main refrigerant circuit.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 13 with the following rewritten version:

With this refrigeration device, the refrigerant ~~pressure can be reliably lowered because the refrigerant is condensed by the condenser.~~ can flow through the branching circuit, the condenser and the junction circuit when the refrigerant is to be sent from the compressor to the user side heat exchanger, and refrigerant can flow through the check mechanism of the main refrigerant circuit when the refrigerant is to be sent from the user side heat exchanger to the compressor.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 15 with the following rewritten version:

According to a third aspect of the present invention, the ~~The refrigeration device of the first or second aspects of the present invention is further provided with a pressure detection mechanism to detect the pressure of the refrigerant that flows between the condenser and the user side heat exchanger.~~ disclosed in claim 3 is the refrigeration device of claim 2, in which the auxiliary refrigerant circuit further includes an open/close mechanism that can propagate/cut off the flow of refrigerant to the condenser.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 18 with the following rewritten version:

With this refrigeration device, because a pressure detection mechanism that detects the refrigerant pressure between the condenser and the user side heat exchanger is provided, the pressure of refrigerant sent to the user side heat exchanger can be stably controlled by changing the heating load in the condenser in accordance with pressure variation. ~~the flow of refrigerant to the condenser can be propagated/cut-off and the refrigerant condensed because an open/close mechanism is provided. This allows the pressure of the refrigerant sent to the user side heat exchanger to be stably controlled.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 22 with the following rewritten version:

According to a fourth aspect of the present invention, the ~~The~~ refrigeration device of anyone of the first to third aspects of the present invention is further provided with a bypass circuit that can bypass the condenser and propagate refrigerant from the compressor to the user side heat exchanger. ~~disclosed in claim 4 is the refrigeration device of claims 2 or 3, in which a pressure detection mechanism is provided on the main refrigerant circuit or the auxiliary refrigerant circuit, and serves to detect the refrigerant pressure between the condenser and the user side heat exchanger.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 1 with the following rewritten version:

With this refrigeration device, refrigerant can flow through the condenser and the bypass circuit when the refrigerant is to be sent from the compressor to the user side heat exchanger, and refrigerant can flow through the check mechanism of the main refrigerant circuit when the refrigerant is to be sent from the user side heat exchanger to the compressor. ~~because a pressure detection mechanism that detects the refrigerant pressure between the condenser and the user side heat exchanger is provided, the pressure of refrigerant sent to the~~

~~user side heat exchanger can be stably controlled by changing the heating load in the condenser in accordance with pressure variation.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 6 with the following rewritten version:

According to a fifth aspect of the present invention, the ~~The refrigeration device of the fourth aspect of the present invention is further provided with an open/close mechanism configured to adjust the amount of the refrigerant that flows into the condenser. disclosed in claim 5 is the refrigeration device of any of claims 2 to 4, in which the auxiliary refrigerant circuit further includes a bypass circuit that can bypass the condenser and propagate refrigerant from the compressor to the user side heat exchangers. The main refrigerant circuit further includes a check mechanism between a connector of the branching circuit of the main refrigerant circuit and a connector of the junction circuit of the main refrigerant circuit, which allows only the flow of refrigerant from the user side heat exchanger to the compressor.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 14 with the following rewritten version:

With this refrigeration device, because an open/close mechanism is provided, the flow of refrigerant to the condenser can be propagated/cut-off in a timely manner, and adjustment of the amount of the refrigerant that flows into the condenser can be performed while condensing the refrigerant. This allows the pressure of the refrigerant sent to the user side heat exchanger to be stably controlled. ~~refrigerant can flow through the auxiliary refrigerant circuit when the refrigerant is to be sent from the compressor to the user side heat exchanger, and refrigerant can flow through the check mechanism of the main refrigerant circuit when the refrigerant is to be sent from the user side heat exchanger to the compressor.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 19 with the following rewritten version:

According to a sixth aspect of the present invention, the ~~The~~ refrigeration device disclosed in claim 6 is the refrigeration device of any of claims 2 to 5, in which of anyone of the first to fifth aspects of the present invention is provided such that the compressor is a heat exchanger that uses the refrigerant which flows inside the ~~main~~ refrigerant circuit as a cooling source.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 23 with the following rewritten version:

With this refrigeration device, refrigerant that flows inside the ~~main~~ refrigerant circuit is used as the cooling source, and thus another cooling source is unnecessary.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 1 with the following rewritten version:

According to a seventh aspect of the present invention, the ~~The~~ refrigeration device disclosed in claim 7 is the refrigeration device of any of claims 1 to 6, in which of anyone of the first to sixth aspects of the present invention is provided such the refrigerant ~~that flows in the main refrigerant circuit and the auxiliary refrigerant circuit~~ has saturation pressure characteristics that are higher than those of R407C.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 5 with the following rewritten version:

With this refrigeration device, refrigerant having saturation pressure characteristics higher than those of R407C can be used as the operating refrigerant, even in situations in which the maximum allowable pressure of the lines, equipment, and the like that form the circuits between the compressor and the user side heat exchanger can only be used up to the

saturation pressure of R407C at normal temperatures, because the refrigerant gas to be sent to the user side heat exchanger can be reduced in pressure by condensing a portion of the refrigerant gas sent from the compressor to the user side heat exchanger by means of the ~~auxiliary refrigerant circuit~~ condenser. Thus, for example, with a preexisting refrigeration device that uses R22 or R407C as the operating refrigerant, the refrigerant gas junction line between the condenser and the user side heat exchanger of the preexisting device can be reused even in situations in which a newly constructed refrigeration device uses a refrigerant having saturation pressure characteristics that are higher than those of R407C as the operating refrigerant.

Please replace the heading at page 9, line 6, with the following rewritten version:

Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments ~~Best Mode of Working the~~
~~Invention~~

Please replace the heading at page 34, line 1, with the following rewritten version:

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS: ~~CLAIMS~~